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Application No.: 09/501,332) Examiner: *not yet assigned*
Filed: February 9, 2000)
Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR MANAGING)
INFORMATION RETENTION)

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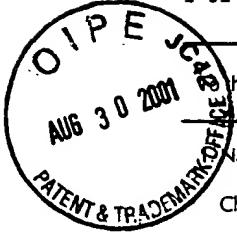
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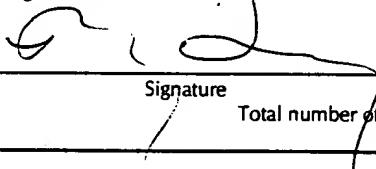
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WHEREAS SUN MICROSYSTEMS, INC., a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of California, and having an address at 901 San Antonio Road, MS PALO1-521, Palo Alto, California 94303, is desirous of acquiring an interest therein and in the Letters Patent to be obtained therefor from the United States;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of one dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable considerations to me by SUN MICROSYSTEMS, INC., the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, I do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over unto SUN MICROSYSTEMS, INC., its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said application for United States Letters Patent, including all priority rights arising therefrom, all inventions therein disclosed, and any and all Letters Patent of the United States and of all other countries which may be granted for the said inventions, or any of them.

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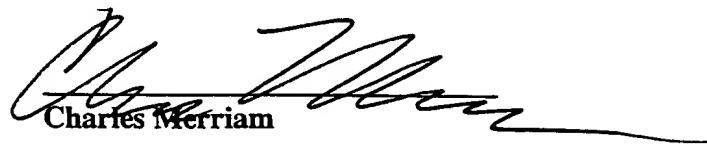
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